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REMARKS

The Examiner has indicated that the previous amendment was not fully responsive because it did not explain why amendments to claims 5, 27 and 32 overcome the cited prior art.

Remarks regarding claim 5 are added below.

Claim 27 was not amended and was argued in the last paragraph discussing the prior art rejections over Mouri.

Claim 32 was not rejected. Claim 32 was simply amended into independent form.

Remarks regarding the new claims 37-42 are added below.

Rejection under §102 over Overholt 6,631,822

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-4, 9-15, 17, 19, 20, 23-26 and 31 as being anticipated by Overholt (U.S. 6,631,822).

Claim 1 has been amended to recite "an upward protrusion adjacent the support surface on an interior side of the support surface," which is not shown in Overholt.

Claim 4 has been amended to include claim 35, which the Examiner indicated was allowable.

Claim 23 has been amended to recite that the second hinge receiver portion includes a concave surface opening upwardly to a second opening. Overholt does not disclose a concave surface opening upwardly in a second hinge receiver portion.

Rejection under §102 over Mouri JP 2001-130554

The Examiner has rejected claims 1-7, 15-24 and 27-31, 33 and 34 as anticipated by Mouri (JP 2001-130554). It appears that EP 1114779 and US 6,820,761 are English equivalents.

Claim 1 has been amended to recite "an upward protrusion adjacent the support surface on an interior side of the support surface," which is not shown in Mouri.

Claim 4 has been amended to include claim 35, which the Examiner indicated was allowable.

Mouri does not disclose "a second lower hinge portion [that] includes an upwardly-opening concave support surface," as recited by claim 5, as amended. Therefore, claim 5 is allowable.

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Claim 23 has been amended to recite that the second hinge receiver portion includes a concave surface opening upwardly to a second opening. Mouri does not disclose a concave surface opening upwardly in a second hinge receiver portion.

Mouri does not disclose a latch receiver and latch striker with "mating beveled surfaces," as recited in claim 27. The latch 207d in Figure 10 of Mouri is simply rounded and therefore does not include "beveled surfaces," as claimed.

New Claims

New claims 37-42 are added.

Mouri and Overholt do not disclose a "second upper hinge portion [that] is supported on the support surface of the second lower hinge portion and contacts the upward protrusion to limit lateral movement," as recited in claim 37.

Mouri and Overholt do not disclose "a support surface [that] is concave and opens upwardly," as recited by new claim 38.

Mouri and Overholt do not disclose a "concave support surface including a protrusion for limiting lateral movement of the second hinge pin portion," as recited in new independent claim 39. Claims 40-42 depend from claim 39 and are therefore allowable.

No fees should be due with this Substitute Amendment. The additional claim charge of \$350 was previously charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1984 on September 1, 2005. If additional any fees or extensions are ever due, please charge all fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1984.

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